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I TOLD RAYMOND EWING ON TELEPHONE JULY 17 THAT ELEKDAG HAD RE-ITERATED TO ME DURING COURSE OF EVENING THAT TURKS MUST STICK WITH TRIPARTITE CONCEPT. HE HAD INDICATED, HOWEVER, "SPEAKING PERSONALLY" THAT UN WOULD HAVE DOMINANT POSITION IN ANY ARRANGEMENT WORKED OUT. HIS FIRST THOUGHTS WERE RATHER TENTATIVE AND HE MUSED THAT, OF COURSE, IN THE CASE OF DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN GREEKS AND TURKS, UN WOULD INEVITABLY HOLD SWING POSITION (THIS IS IN LINE WITH WHAT ESENBEL SAID IN REFTEL). LATER IN EVENING ELEKDAG CALLED ME AGAIN TO SAY THAT HE HAD BEEN THINKING FURTHER ON OUR CONVERSATION AND THAT HE WISHED THAT I WOULD UNDERLINE FOR WASHINGTON "UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF UNFICYP" IN TURKISH STATEMENT. I TOLD HIM I WOULD.

2. TURKS, OR AT LEAST ELEKDAG, OBVIOUSLY TRYING TO INTRODUCE SOME FLEXIBILITY INTO THEIR POSITION. IT SEEMS TO ME POSSIBLE, ALTHOUGH I AM NOT OVERLY OPTIMISTIC, THAT SOME FORMULATION CAN BE PUT FORWARD THAT DOES NOT CONTAIN WORDS "TRIPARTITE" BUT STILL SATISFIES KEY TURKISH DESIRE THAT TURKISH PUBLIC UNDERSTAND GOT HAS NOT COMPLETELY GIVEN UP MAJOR NEGOTIATING ASSET. FOR EXAMPLE, WE MIGHT ASK
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TURKS TO CHANGE LAST SENTENCE IN PARA 3 TO "THE INTERIM ADMINISTRATION SHALL FUNCTION UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE UNFICYP WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GREEK CYPRIOTS WHO WILL SETTLE IN THE AREA, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOT ADMINISTRATION." PLEASE NOTE ALSO THAT WORD "TRIPARTITE" DOES NOT APPEAR ANYWHERE IN TURK STATEMENT.
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